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## Socialists Active In Carbon County

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We have met the combined enemy, "the twins," known as the demo-republico, capitalistic political aggregation, owned by John D. Rockefeller, and appointed by the regular bell-sheep-Moyer, Glidden and Reno, who are supposed to ring the bells attached to their necks, and have the poor, deluded voter follow them into the fly-trap of capitalism.

Mrs. Ida Crouch-Hazlett has made a hurried tour of Carbon county, speaking first at Fishtail one night, and at Red Lodge two nights. The only suitable ball in Red Lodge for speaking was denied us, presumably by and through the designs of our opponents, who thought by so doing we would be discouraged, but they must have surely underestimated the resourcefulness of their only opponents-the determined exponents of equal opportunity to all-the Socialist party of the

In Red Lodge Comrade Hazlet: spoke in the county court houstwo nights, Monday and Tuesday and the court room was filled overflowing by the most attentive audience that I ever had the pleaure of sitting amongst. The smo would-be millionaire was there. and the hot shot of truth was poured into their ranks in such manner that their fortifications were soon in a depleted condition. The crusted few who came there thought perhaps something would be said by the speaker whereby they might make some political capital out of it, but the shots fired by the woman behind the modern gun of truth-Socialism -and directed with unerring aim, left them no loophole to escape from, and not one who heard her refused to acknowledge that it was the best and only true discourse ever heard in this county on the political situation which now confronts the American people. From here Comrade Hazlett in company with Comrade G. M. Burke, the Socialist candidate for county attorney, went to Bridger to awaken the ranchers of the Clark's Fork valley to a realization of the industrial conditions which are fast overcoming them. We sent bills announcing her to speak there on Wednesday and Thursday, and had a Socialist post bills around the town and surrounding country, but immediately the hirelings of plutocracy, obeying the orders of their masters, destroyed them. Consequently very few knew anything about the first meeting. A fair was in progress on these dates, held by the farmers and business men of Bridger and vicinity. A special train was run from Red Lodge with excursionists, including your humble servant. About five o'clock in the evening the democrats-the left wing of capitalism-announced that there would be speaking by one of their spellbinders from the corner of the bank on Main street, commencing at 7 o'clock. It was their intention to offset the Socialists, whom they thought would endeavor to hold their meeting in the hall. But they reckoned wrongfully. At 6:30 Comrade Burke and myself placed a large dry goods box in the middle of the street, immediately adjoining where the democrats were to speak. When the time arrived I mounted the impromptu platform and drew the pose of replying. Mr. Reno, inattention of the people and made stead of making reply, stated that about to introduce a person who of replying to the lady, but to inthe announcement that I was was here with a view of educating troduce one of the ablest debaters the masses, who produce the lican, and an advocate of the presnomic and industrial conditions now before the people of this country; that inasmuch as all the giants of the two old parties in the county were present, invitations would be extended to debate the political questions confronting the time. When Comrade Hazlett the political questions with a Soplatform, Mr. L. B. Reno, an old-attempt to reply. He endeavored concluded and stepped from the time democrat and leader of de-



## The Double Headed Octopus

## Crowds Gather to See E. V. Debs

mocracy of the county, mounted the box, for the presupposed purhe was not there for the purpose ent system, who might be able to reply to her. The party in question was Mr. W. F. Meyer, republican candidate for state senator from Carbon county. This shows which way the political wind is blowing- a democrat introducing a republican to debate cialist. Mr. Meyer made a feeble

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New York City there was a line seven blocks long formed to enter Butle Miner. arnegie hall to avoid a crush at the doors, and a detail of 100 policenen to prevent a jam. The great auditorium filled to the roof in a few moments and thousands could not get in. At the same time Chauncey Depew, the played- out Vanderbilt court jester, talked to 200 people. The New York papers even commented on it, and said old Chauncey had lost his grip at last. The fact is the people are tired of his old jokes and stale stories. They hunger for something that has substance, and so they are deserting the old political auctioneers and flocking to the standard of Socialism. This incident of Depew's meeting of 200 and ours of 10,000 is a straw which shows low the wind blows.' Why does not Mr. Heinze's personal and political organ-the Butte

vening News-place the democratic ticket at its masthead? Its man servants and its maid servants and its oxen and its asses participated in the state convention at Helena, alleging themselves to be

Speaking of his New York address, Comrade Debs says: "In democrats, but it steadfastly refuses to hoist the ticket. Why?-

The Chicago Socialist says: "Last Wednesday, in the mills, of large crowd of strikers and newspaper representatives, President Connelly of the Butchers' union drew a Socialist button from his pocket and called the attention of those present to it and boldly sinned it on the lapel of his coat. He is said to have then pointed to he button and exclaimed: 'Boys, we will win this strike.

Comrade Geo. Henry, a member of the Jefferson county central committee, made us a pleasant call and announced that the committee vill list Comrade Martin Rudolph for district judge, and Comrade Miss Gouty for superintendent of schools. Comrade Gouty has been teacher for a number of years, is now clerking in the New York tore in Helena, and is well qualified for the position if elected. Speaking of Comrade Rudolph, Comrade Henry gives out the information that he is the oldest Socialist in the state, but we have one in mind

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